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Fleckles Chaplain

Elliott V. Fleckles, formerly of Mount Hermon School, who has served as chaplain with the army during the war has been named a full-time chaplain and is now assigned to the Northampton Veterans Administration Hospital.

A native of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. Fleckles served in the first World War as an enlisted man with the 105th Field Artillery and on the Mexican border in 1916. Following his return from France he entered Mount Hermon School and was graduated in 1921. He is a graduate of the College of the City of New York, class of 1926, attended Yale Divinity School and received an M. A. degree in religious education from New York University in 1927. He was ordained in the ministry by Dr. S. Parks Cadman at Central Congregational Church, New York, in 1931. Mr. Fleckles was a member of the faculty at Mount Hermon School from 1929 to 1942 and during two years of that period, from 1931 to 1932, also served as pastor of the Robbins Memorial Church in Greenfield.

Before his discharge from the service Mr. Fleckles was stationed at Boca Raton, Florida. His wife and family spent last summer in Northfield in a cottage in Mountain Park.

Garden Club Speaker

Osborne A. Brown, of the Western Electric Company, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Garden Club in Alexander Hall, Monday, May 6, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Brown's subject will be "Wild Flowers," which he will illustrate with slides. A question and answer period will follow.

Town Topics

Mrs. Louise Barnes LaBella will occupy Sumac cottage on the Ridge now owned by her brother, Lincoln Wade Barnes, of Amherst.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Thompson, of New York, have purchased the summer cottage of Mrs. Adeline S. Deissler on Rustic Ridge and will occupy this summer.

A son, Dennis Burton, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Holloway at the Franklin County Hospital on Thursday, April 18, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Morse, all of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton S. Cregar, of New Hyde Park, N. Y., have purchased the summer home of Miss Lucy Keith, on Pine Road in Rustic Ridge and will occupy this season after making repairs and improvements.

The Misses Maud and Amy Hamilton have returned to their home off Winchester Road after spending a most delightful season at Orlando, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Suttle, of Madison, N. J., and Mrs. John M. Spoor, of Kingston, N. Y., came here last week with their aunt, Miss Ethel V. Lawrence, who returned to open her summer home for the season.

The town of Whately has announced its 1946 tax rate as \$28, which is \$2 more than last year.

Miss Lydia Wright, a student at Mount Holyoke College, who makes her home here with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Fairbank, has been elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa of the college and was named on the basis of seven semesters' work in her major department of mathematics.

Mrs. S. H. Miller, who for the past seven years has resided in the house of Mrs. Bonney off the Winchester Road is now located with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Reed, at their home on Main Street.

New Books At Library

Announcement is made of the addition of many new books on the shelves of Dickinson Memorial Library. They are now available for circulation and are as follows: "Again to the North," Compton MacKenzie; "Beloved Brat," Warren Howard; "Bridge to Paradise," Kathleen Rollins; "Girl to Come Home To," G. H. Hill; "He Who Whispers," Dickson Carter; "Perilous Flight," N. H. Swanson; "Rio Renegade," Leslie Ernewein; "Shadow on the Trail," Zane Grey; "She Came Back," Patricia Wentworth; "Snake Pit," M. J. Ward; "Sooner to Sleep," F. F. Van de Water; "Still to the West," Nard Jones; "This Side of Innocence," by Taylor Caldwell; "Unsuspected Chasm," J. I. S. Stewart; "Al Emith, American," Frank Graham; "Burma Surgeon Returns," G. S. Seagrave; "Cloak and Dagger," the secret story of OSS, Corey Ford and Alastair MacBain; "God Bless Our Aunts," Rachel Meisenhelder; "Infant and Child in the Culture of Today," A. L. Gesell and others; "Lost Landscape," Winifred Wells; "Maneaters of Kumano," Jim Corbett; "Nation of Nations," Louis Adamic; "Natural Golf," J. D. Dunn; "Renaissance and Reformation Times," Dorothy Mills; "Saints and Strangers," G. W. Willison.

Produce "Our Town"

Before a capacity audience Saturday evening, April 20, "Our Town," by Thornton Wilder, was produced by the Tau Pi Dramatic Club of the Northfield School for Girls and the Mount Hermon Players at Mount Hermon School. The evening previous it had been presented at Silverthorne Hall. The play was directed by Miss Eva Freeman and William Morrow. The cast consisted of Justus Fennel as stage manager; Charles Pease, Donald Allen, John Elliott, Ellen Weise, Ann Tucker, Stephen Milehad, Mariella Boyden, Roy Hammerstrom, Jane Shanahan, Robert Royer, Albert Herbst, Barbara Hodge, Peter Fithian, Marie Laurent, Stephen Beriman, Jean Simons, Fred Allen, Henry Bohm, Richard Gustafson, Richard Parker, Rodney Davis, Sheldon Moreland, Kenneth Arnold and Ruth Washburn.

Town Topics

Released to the press last week is the announcement that Dr. Robert Hamilton Ball, of Port Washington, N. Y., chairman of the English department of Queens College, has been awarded a research fellowship by the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation. He will undertake a study of the film production of Shakespeare plays. Dr. Ball is the son of Mrs. George M. Ball, of Winchester Road, and has been a frequent visitor to Northfield.

Morgan's Market closes for the dinner hour from 1 to 2 o'clock on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

The committee named at the annual town meeting to make a survey of the community memorial center of an addition of a gymnasium and hall to the high school have held a meeting to begin the work of studying the situation and making their recommendations.

A son, Eugene Guy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hopkins of this town at the Franklin County Hospital on Monday, April 22.

Daylight saving time will be ushered in next Sunday and in New England you will push your clocks ahead one hour.

Miss Ruth Elizabeth Avery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Avery, of this town, graduated from the Roosevelt Hospital School of Nursing in New York city last week with graduation exercises held in the Henry Hudson Hotel. Miss Avery is a graduate of the Northfield High School.



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Town Topics

Miss Betty Jean Purrington, daughter of Mrs. Hazel Purrington, of Birnam Road, has been elected by the student body as chairman of the Honor Board of Smith College. Miss Purrington has been vice-president of her house and chairman of the worship committee this past year.

The second annual Pops concert of the Pioneer Valley Symphony will be held in the Armory at Greenfield Friday evening at 8.30 o'clock, May 10. A group from this town is planning to attend and has made reservations.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell, of Winchester Road, is expected to arrive this week end for the reopening of her home. She spent the winter season at St. Petersburg, in Florida.

The old historic "Salt Box" on the highway between Bernardston and Greenfield, formerly operated as an ice cream and tea room and where flowers were sold, has passed into the hands of new owners, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Conner, who will carry on.

Mrs. E. H. Zeller, of Lorain, Ohio, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Myrtle L. Zeller, to Ralph E. Miller, son of Mrs. Saraella Miller, of Northfield.

Mrs. Leon Whitmore is at the Franklin County Hospital to receive medical care and treatment. She is reported as very ill.

The condition of Charles C. Stearns, who is at the Springfield Hospital where he has undergone two operations, is about the same. He is resting comfortably but recovery to normal seems to be slow.

Our local selectmen, Ernest A. Parker, George W. Carr and George A. Sheldon, are attending the meeting of the County Selectmen's Association held at the Bloody Brook House in South Deerfield Thursday evening the 18th.

According to an announcement made last week, the Eastern States Exposition held annually until 1941 will not resume this year as some of its buildings are still in use by the army.

A plea is made that all discarded uniforms of Boy Scouts, including the shirt, kerchief, pants and coats, be sent to the home of Robert Abbott for sending to Europe to aid in the Boy Scout work there.

Town Topics

Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Walker, of North Tonawanda, N. Y., who recently purchased the Newton homestead in South Vernon, have shipped their household goods and will arrive soon to occupy. Mr. Walker has retired.

Mrs. Nelson Lamorie, of Colrain, is seriously ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harness in the Upper Farms. Mr. and Mrs. Lamorie have been spending some time at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harness.

A definite announcement has been made that Denman Thompson's "Old Homestead" will be produced in Potash Bowl at Swanzy, N. H., in July of this year with an all Swanzy cast. Detailed particulars will be available soon.

President E. S. French, of the Boston and Maine Railroad, says that there must be an immediate increase of rates on all railroads if the roads are to continue solvent. Increase in wages and cost of materials are held responsible.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Malbon, of Greenfield, at the Franklin County Hospital on Sunday, April 14, granddaughter of Mrs. Caroline Malbon, of Greenfield, and Mrs. William R. Moody of this town.

A Red Cross training course in swimming is being conducted at the pool of the Northfield School for Girls limited to those qualified with the necessary credentials.

The tax rate for Sunderland has been announced as \$28, the same as last year. The rate for Colrain is up \$8 to \$40. Greenfield rate is \$30.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tie, of this town, at the Franklin County Hospital on Monday, April 15, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Brochu, of Great Barrington, and Mrs. Eleanor Webster, of East Northfield.

Troop 304 of the Boy Scouts of Winchester, accompanied by their Scout Master, recently made a 14-mile hike visiting points of interest about Northfield and the School for Girls.

Rev. Hazel R. Gredler conducted the East Sunday afternoon service at the Unitarian Church in Warwick. Her son, David Gredler, sang the music selections.

Town Topics

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of Northfield Farms held a covered dish supper at the library Wednesday evening, April 17. All enjoyed a social session.

Nine new members were admitted to fellowship in the Unitarian Church at the morning service on Sunday, Easter Day.

Thomas Parker, who was recently discharged from the Army Air Corps, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker, at their home here last week.

Stanley Johnson, who has been ill at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Johnson, is reported as much improved.

Captain and Mrs. Hans M. Zachmann are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll H. Miller. They are located at Thunderbolt, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones and family and Mrs. Arthur Gibson, of Watsonville, Cal., are spending a month with Mrs. Gladys Edson. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Gibson are the former Ellen and Gladys Edson.

The Pioneer Valley Association will seek the sum of \$32,500 in its campaign for memberships and contributions to carry on its work of advertising this section of the state. The solicitation will begin May 7 and the initial meeting of all campaign workers will be held at the Kimball Hotel in Springfield on that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Carr, of Boston, spent last week end here on a visit at the former's home.

The annual meeting of the Franklin County Public Health Association will be held at the Weldon Hotel in Greenfield, Tuesday evening, April 30, preceded by a dinner at 6.30. Dr. Alton S. Pope, of the State Department of Public Health, will present the state program for public health.

Dr. J. Edgar Park, president emeritus of Wheaton College, and Rev. James A. Moore, of Rochester, N. Y., were the speakers at the services on Easter Day of the Northfield schools.

Students from the high schools at Deerfield and Bernardston and members of the senior classes also visited Washington during the visit of the Northfield seniors.

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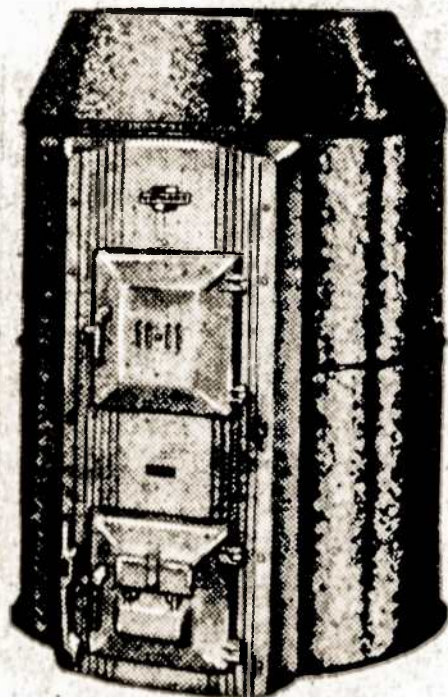
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